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To: Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, Chairman  
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**MOTION TO SUPPORT H.R. 822 AND H.R. 1943, HIV/AIDS LEGISLATION  
INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MAXINE WATERS (D-CA) (ITEM NO. 4,  
AGENDA OF MAY 1, 2007)**

Item No. 4 on the May 1, 2007 Agenda is a motion by Supervisor Burke directing the Chief Administrative Office's Intergovernmental Relations Branch to actively support H.R. 822, the Routine HIV/AIDS Screening Coverage Act of 2007, and H.R. 1943, the Stop AIDS in Prison Act of 2007, introduced by Representative Maxine Waters (D-CA).

HR 822, which was introduced on February 20, 2007, would require health insurance plans to cover routine HIV/AIDS tests and coverage under the same terms and conditions as other routine health screening. The bill has been referred to the House Committees on Education and Labor, Energy and Commerce, Oversight and Government Reform, and Ways and Means, none of which have scheduled any hearings.

H.R. 1943, which was introduced on April 19, 2007, would require routine HIV/AIDS screening of all Federal prison inmates upon entry and prior to release from prison, and also would require HIV awareness education for all inmates and comprehensive treatment for those inmates who test positive. The bill has been referred to the House Judiciary Committee, which has not yet scheduled any hearings.

The Department of Public Health (DPH) and the Commission on HIV support both bills. **Support for H.R. 822 and H.R. 1943 would be consistent with the motion adopted by your Board on April 17, 2007 to support proposals to promote HIV/AIDS policy consistent with accepted public health standards, and to support legislation that increases availability of and access to routine HIV screening, education, outreach, care and treatment, including Federal, State and local correctional facilities and incarceration settings.** In my agenda memo, dated April 13, 2007, on that motion, I noted that Representative Waters had introduced H.R. 822 and announced plans to introduce the Stop AIDS in Prison Act.

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